



DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION (37 CFR 1.63)	
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Application Number:	Filing Date: October 29, 1999
Group Art Unit:	Examiner Name:

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed) or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural names are listed) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: Mutant Apical Dominance Gene in *Eustoma*, the specification of which:

☐ is attached hereto; or

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information to the Patent and Trademark Office known to me to be material to patentability of this application, as defined in 37 CFR, 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application Numbers	Country	Foreign Filing Date	Priority Not Claimed	Certified Copy Attached?
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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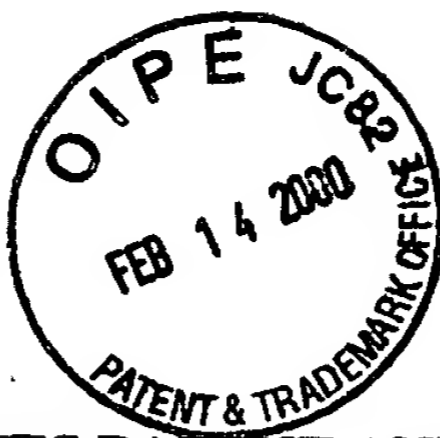
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DECLARATION OF CLAUDE HOPE

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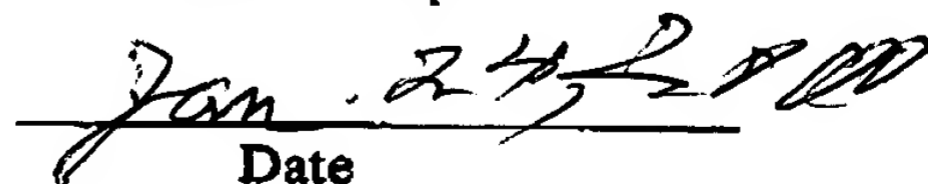
I, Claude Hope, declare the following:

1. I am one of the co-inventors of the above-identified application.
2. I presently reside in Costa Rica.
3. I was born on May 10, 1907.
4. I am greater than 65 years old.

I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both (18 U.S.C. Section 1001), and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Respectfully submitted,


Claude Hope


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